

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re patent application of:

Thomas J. Foth

Serial No.: 09/474,642

Filed: December 29, 1999

Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING REFUNDS IN A  
POSTAGE METERING SYSTEM

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) Attorney Docket No.: E-978

) Group Art Unit: 3629

) Date: January 6, 2003

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	-	Highest Number Previously Paid For	=	Number of Extra Claims Present	X	Rate	=	Additional Fee
Total Claims	21	-	20	=	1	X	\$18.00	=	18.00
Independent Claims	5	-	3	=	1	X	\$84.00	=	168.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT									186.00



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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No.: 09/474,642  
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Enclosed please find the Amendment in response to an Office Action mailed July 5, 2002, together with the Amendment Transmittal Letter, Petition for Extension of Time, and Proposed Changes to Drawings.

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1. Amendment Transmittal Letter (2 pages);
2. Amendment (14 pages);
3. Petition for Extension of Time (2 pages); and
4. Proposed Changes to Drawings, with two sheets of Drawings (4 pages).

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